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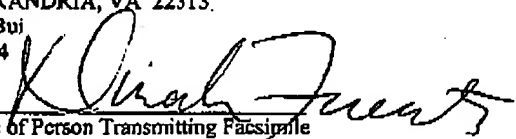
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In response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2004, Applicant hereby submits the following amendments, remarks, and request for reconsideration.


Applicant respectfully requests entry of this amendment under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.116(a) in that the amendment and remarks below place the application and claims in condition for allowance, or, at least, present the application in better form for appeal. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in view of the following are respectfully requested.

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